



F2 Newsletter

Date 21st September 2020

Dear Parents and Carers,

The children have made a great start to their school journey and we are looking forward to sharing this special time with you and your child. Here is a little information about school and your child's learning.

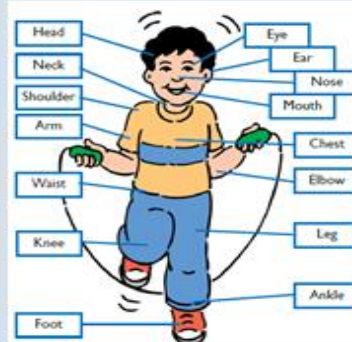
Advent 1-'All about me'	Key vocabulary
Communication and Language We will be trying to speak clearly and in full sentences. We will also practice how to solve a problem with our words.	Sentence Word 'Stop, I don't like that'
Physical We will be learning to hold our pencil correctly and using scissors to cut straight and wavy lines. In PE we will be dancing and learning how to balance.	Cut Scissors Snip
PSED This term we will be learning how to share, take turns and how to be a good friend. We will also be learning the school rules and how to regulate our emotions.	'My turn, your turn' Happy and sad Feelings
Reading and Writing We will be sharing lots of stories, acting them out and retelling them to each other. We begin Phase 2 phonics which will support our reading and writing.	Blend Segment Sound
Maths This term we work with numbers 0-10 and get to know them really well by recognising, writing and putting them in order. We also find 1 more and 1 less and begin to use simple addition and subtraction.	Numeral Altogether More/less
RE Our topic is Myself. We find out that God loves us and that we are part of God's family.	God Family precious
Understanding of the World We think about our families and where we live. We also think about our bodies and how they work. We work outdoors as much as we can to find out about the world around us.	Body Senses Healthy

Vital Vocabulary To Learn!

Exercise
 Healthy
 Hygiene
 Diet
 Feelings
 Friends
 Senses
 Body

Stories and Books

The rainbow Fish



Sticky Knowledge: Things We Need To Know!

I need to eat healthy food, exercise, drink water, sleep and take exercise.
 I live in Nottingham.
 I know how to wash my hands.
 I grow and change.
 I know the names of parts of my body.
 I can talk about my feelings.
 I know I have five senses.

The Five Senses



Expressive Arts

We are always painting and making collages and this term we find out about the famous artist, Van Gogh and his beautiful sunflower painting.



Reading at home

We recommend that children read for 5 to 10 minutes each night at home. Reading books will be changed every week on **Monday** after they have been read **3 times**. Please sign the Reading Organiser when you have read with your child. Key words will be tested every **Tuesday** and new words given when your child can read them securely.

Phonic Homework

Homework will be sent home on Friday to be read with parents. It will be the same phonemes that we learned during the week.



Non-negotiables

By the end of the term, we expect all children to:

- Zip up their own coat by themselves
- Eat with a knife and fork
- Read and write simple words

Dates for your diary

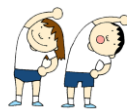
Friday 16 th October	Inset Day
Monday 5 th October	Parents Evening (By phone or virtually)
TBC	Class Liturgy with Issie
5 th October -12 th October	Black History Week
Monday 19 th October	Half term
Monday 2 nd November	Back to school
16 th November-20 th November	Anti Bullying Week

Uniform and Labelling

Please ensure that your child comes to school in full school uniform that is clearly labelled with their name. Please label all uniform, water bottles and bags. It would be very helpful if the children learn to dress and undress by themselves at home. Adults in school will support them with this but we are encouraging the children to be as independent as possible.

PE

PE will be every Wednesday morning in the hall. Due to the current Covid 19 situation, we will not be wearing full PE kit until after Advent Half Term. As long as the weather stays fine we will be exercising outdoor as much as possible



Foundation Values

We have three values that all the children and adults keep to so that St Mary's can be a happy place to be:

Kindness

'To be gentle and kind.'

Resilience

'To have a go and keep trying.'

Respect

'To listen to other and look after our things.'

Stars at home!

This week, we will be sending home a star with your child's photograph on it. Please decorate it and add all the qualities that make your child special. They will be displayed in our class so that we can all feel proud of ourselves.

